8. Women over 18	...	per week,	20s.
9. Girls under 18 ...	...	,,	16s.
10. Girls under 17 ...	...	,,	14s.
11. Girls under 16 ...	...	,,	12s.

The above mimimum rates are fixed on the basis that the working hours in each week shall be sixty, inclusive of time for stable work, and include the value of Perquisites as defined and valued by the Committee.

J. P. GRANT, Chairman.

J. M. MIDDLETON, Secretary.

Applications for Permits of Exemption from the operation of the Minimum Wage provisions of the Corn Production Act under the proviso to Section 5 (3) should be addressed to the Secretary, District Agricultural Wages Committee for the Moray Firth District (No. 2), 2 Inglis Street, Inverness, from whom Forms of Application for a permit can be obtained.

Complaints under Section 6 regarding the inadequacy of payments for Piecework, and complaints under Section 7 regarding infringement of the Orders fixing Minimum Rates, should be sent to the same address.

STATEMENT showing the Quantities Sold and Average Price of BRITISH CORN, per Quarter of 8 Bushels, Imperial Measure,* as received from the Inspectors of Corn Returns in the Week ended 1st March 1919, pursuant to the Corn Returns Act, 1882.

BRITISH CORN.	QUANTITIES SOLD.	AVERAGE PRICE.
	Qrs. Bus.	s. d.
Wheat	87,705 6	72 7
Barley	52,727 2	62 7
Oats	22,372 0	48 8

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT for the Corresponding Week in each of the Years from 1912 to 1918.

Corresponding Week in	QUANTITIES SOLD.			AVERAGE PRICE.		
	WHEAT.	BARLEY.	OATS.	WHEAT.	BARLEY.	OATS.
	Qrs. Bus.	Qrs. Bus.	Qrs. Bus.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1912	66,406 1	13,572 4	13,011 5	34 1	31 7	21 8
1913	73,155 6	32,044 7	18,316 5	31 3	28 5	20 0
1914	76,115 2	58,812 4	24,790 0	31 5	26 2	18 9
1915	85,658 3	35,176 1	28,476 4	55 11	34 6	31 8
1916	102,715 6	28,781 4	31,730 5	59 4	55 7	32 4
1917	79,767 5	33,045 2	40,608 6	77 4	64 0	48 0
1918	78,734 4	40,506 2	17,599 2	72 2	57 9	52 0

* Section 8 of the Corn Returns Act, 1882, provides that where returns of purchases of British Corn are made to the Local Inspector of Corn Returns in any other measure than the imperial bushel or by weight or by a weighed measure, that Officer shall convert such returns into the imperial bushel, and in the case of weight or weighed measure the conversion is to be made at the rate of sixty imperial pounds for every bushel of wheat, fifty imperial pounds for every bushel of barley, and thirty-nine imperial pounds for every bushel of oats.

R. HENRY REW.

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